

BEST AVAILABLE COPY**Remark**

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 38-45, 54, 56-59, 63-67 and 70-73 have been amended. Claims 1-35, 46-53, 55 and 60-62 have been cancelled. Therefore, claims 36-45, 54, 56-59, 63-73 are present for examination.

35 U.S.C. §102 Rejection*Brendel*

The Examiner has rejected claims 30-52 and 54-73 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Brendel et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,772,333 ("Brendel").

The Examiner in the response to arguments section of the Office Action mailed December 22, 2005 indicated that the current claims do not clarify the subject matter of the application. Accordingly, claims 39, 57, 64 and 70 have been amended in order to better clarify the subject matter of the invention.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections have been overcome by the amendment and remark, and that the claims as amended are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the rejections be withdrawn and the claims as amended be allowed.

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Invitation for a Telephone Interview

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

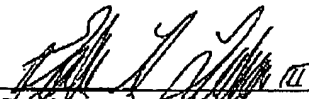
Request for an Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully petition for an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) should one be necessary. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 to cover the necessary fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for such an extension. Charge our Deposit Account.

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